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Lakehead Amateur Radio Club

*The original minutes for the period during which Kim Fernie - VE3EFW was Secretary Treasurer are not available. This, and other missing minutes have been complied from the relevant issue of High-Q, Jim - VE3UA.*

The November meeting was held on November 14th starting at 8:05 pm. In attendance were:

Ray Forslund - VE3EDZ,  
Jim "JC" Bailey - VE3DGZ,  
Steve Bush - VE3EBS,  
Hugh Elliott - VE3EDW,  
Stan Chorley - VE3ECR,  
Bill Goodfellow - VE3GOD,  
Les Harris - VE3AYZ,  
Kim Fernie - VE3EFW,  
Bill Klemacki - VE3EEW,  
Peter Boyle - VE3DPJ,

Doc Tarnow - VE4TO (ex VE3FSE),  
Adolph Karasiewicz,  
T. Farrell,  
Steve Pletko,  
Dave Hunchak,  
Hughie MacDonald,  
Mike Mitt,  
C. Barbaro; and  
John Devavanyi. The last four being members of the GRS Club.

The Hydro demonstration of Safety Practices had to be postponed at the last minute, so time was consumed by discussion on the floor.

The Constitution was reviewed, and all amendments were emphasized. They were all passed with the exception of the Associate Membership fee, which Steve Bush - VE3EBS proposed be raised to \$1.50 per year. This was passed.

Bill Klemacki - VE3EEW reported on the search held 12 November on Edwards Island in Black Bay. After an uncomfortable crossing of the Bay while setting up camp, a Thunder Bay Flying Club aircraft flew low over the camp. The pilot indicated we should investigate a sighting somewhere back towards the Bay. A number of our party boarded the tug once again and headed out to where the aircraft was circling. The remainder set up the VHF base station and were preparing the 75 Metre dipole when word was received that the lost party had been found in good shape. On the return trip across the bay the seas were equally rough.

At this point Bill Klemacki - VE3EEW started a heated discussion by bringing up the subject of a portable 75 Metre commercial dipole, along the lines of Gain's 18TD Reel Tape Doublet. This would certainly be ideal for Search and Rescue work but the price is rather high. It was then proposed that the Search and Rescue Unit be approached for financial assistance in obtaining one of these antennas, unless somebody comes up with a way of using two 100 foot steel measuring tapes in their housings for an antenna.

Steve Bush - VE3EBS suggested that if the Search and Rescue Unit were not willing to help us on this, then we should no longer make our facilities available. We'll see at the December meeting if the Search and Rescue Unit can help out.

Les Harris - VE3AYZ then described the VHF equipment recently purchased by the Search and Rescue Unit. It consists of Motorola Walkie-Talkies in the \$800.00 range and a base station complete with antenna and 40 foot mast. The base station is equipped for 12 Volt operation. This was followed by slides.

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Search and Rescue exercises and searches, along with shots of a few Field Days of the past few years.

The meeting concluded at 10:10 pm for coffee and doughnuts.

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